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SUBJECT: SMITHSONIAN/SFCP: THIRD U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO
QUOTE INTERNATIONAL CAMPAIGN TO SAVE THE MONUMENTS OF NUBIA
(PHILAE) THROUGH UNESCO UNQUOTE
REF: CAIRO 3262

1. REFTTEL SET FORTH EMBASSY BELIEF THAT STRONG EFFORT
SHOULD BE MADE SUPPORT THIRD U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO SAVE
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PHILAE, FOR COGENT REASONS RELATED NOT ONLY TO THE IN-

TRINISIC CULTURAL VALUE OF THE MONUMENTS BUT ALSO TO THE
POLITICAL SITUATION IN EGYPT AND THE NEAR EAST. THE
PROBLEM IS HOW TO DO SO WITHOUT CONTRAVENING THE SENSE OF
CONGRESS THAT OPPOSES SUPPORT DIRECT OR INDIRECT TO UNESCO.

2. EARLIER U.S. CONTRIBUTIONS HAVE BEEN DEPOSITED IN
QUOTE EXCESS UNQUOTE EGYPTIAN POUNDS IN USESCO ACCOUN IN
THE NATIONAL BANK OF EGYPT (UNESCO/NUBIA 11/40/305).

SMITHSONIAN WOULD PRE-
CIATE RECEIVING AMB. EILTS:

(A) SUGGESTIONS AS TO ANY OTHER ACCOUNT OR MECHANISM
FOR CONTINUING TO GET 100 PERCENT OF U.S. CONTRIBUTION
DIRECTLY TO PROJECT OUTSIDE OF UNESCO CHANNEL.

(B) OPINION AS TO DESIRABILITY OF SUCH NEW PROCEDURE,
ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF UNESCO EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING IN
EGYPT NEXT OCTOBER.

3. IF WARRANTED BY EMBASSY REPLY, SMITHSONIAN PREPARED
TO CONSIDER AMENDING ITS CURRENT APPROPRIATION REQUEST TO
OMIT OR REPLACE REFERENCE TO UNESCO.

4. ON OTHER HAND, DEPT HAS RESERVATIONS ABOUT DEVISING
NEW PROCEDURES FOR US FUNDING OF PHILAE MONUMENTS BECAUSE
THERE COULD BE ADVANTAGES, AS FAR AS EFFORTS TO WORK OUT
AT LEAST PARTIAL SOLUTION TO UNESCO FUND CUT-OFF, IF EGYPT
WERE MADE TO REALIZE (AS THEY MAY BE FORCED TO DO IN ANY
CASE) THAT PROGRESS TOWARDS RESOLUTION ON ISSUES OF
JERUSALEM AND ISRAELI MEMBERSHIP IN EUROPEAN GROUP IS IN
THEIR OWN INTEREST.

5. VIEWS OF USDEL/UNESCO URGENTLY REQUESTED ON ALL FORE-
GOING. SMITHSONIAN MUST REPORT TO CONGRESSIONAL
COMMITTEE ON APRIL 28.

6. FOR CAIRO: EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO INCLUDE WITH
RECOMMENDATION OF ANY NEW PROCEDURES EXACT NATURE OF
CONTROLS EXERCISED BY CURRENT SYSTEM AND SUPPLY EVIDENCE
THAT SAME STANDARDS WOULD BE MAINTAINED FOR EFFECTIVE
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DELIVERY OF ENTIRE CONTRIBUTION TO PHILAE PROJECT. KISSINGER

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